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Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit,
Work Attributes Toward Careers in
Healthcare WATCH Project



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Asingle mother of three, Michele was underemployed as a home health aide, had a daughter with serious health issues who was no longer eligible for health insurance, and working double shifts. When Michele's hours were reduced, she applied for SNAP benefits. The WATCH Project offered her the opportunity to take the next step along the nursing career pathway, a step that would lead to a job with more consistent hours that paid a higher wage.



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Soon after her graduation, Michele accepted a job with the Obstetrics Department at the Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, PA, working in labor and delivery. It's a job where, "every day I get to go to a birthday party," according to Michele.